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EMBASSIES SHOULD DELIVER SLT CHAIRMAN'S NOTE TO
APPROPRIATE HOST GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS ON MONDAY,
OCTOBER 25 IN KEEPING WITH INSTRUCTIONS CONTAINED IN
REFTEL.

1. BACKGROUND. I. GOVERNING BOARD MANDATE: THE
GOVERNING BOARD AT THE SEPTEMBER 21 MEETING REQUESTED
THE SLT: - --

-- TO REVIEW THE PROPOSALS OF THE SECRETARIAT ON
PROCEDURES TO EVALUATE THE EFFECTIVENESS OF LONG-
TERM COOPERATION MEASURES DESIGNED TO REDUCE OIL
IMPORTS TO AN ACCEPTABLE LEVEL, AS WELL AS THE
PROPOSALS CONTAINED IN GOVERNING BOARD ROOM DOCUMENT
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NO. 5 AND IN ANNEX II TO IEA/SLT (75)23;

-- TO IDENTIFY THE PRINCIPAL ISSUES THAT WILL REQUIRE
POLITICAL DECISIONS BY THE GOVERNING BOARD;

-- TO PREPARE FOR THE GOVERNING BOARD AT ITS NEXT
MEETING A BRIEF NON-TECHNICAL REPORT AS TO THE BASIC
SUPPLY AND DEMAND ELEMENTS THAT WILL ENABLE THE
GOVERNING BOARD TO ASSESS THE EXTENT OF THE EFFORTS
THAT MAY BE REQUIRED TO REDUCE OIL IMPORTS TO AN
ACCEPTABLE LEVEL, TOGETHER WITH PROPOSALS OR
PROCEDURES TO BE ADOPTED AND TASKS TO BE CARRIED

OUT AT NATIONAL LEVEL, AS WELL AS REVIEW AND FOLLOW UP PROCEDURES.

II. SLT MEETING OF OCTOBER 14-15:

THE SLT REVIEWED THE REVISED SECRETARIAT PROPOSAL ON PROCEDURES ON LONG-TERM COOPERATION OBJECTIVES (GOVERNING BOARD ROOM DOCUMENT NO.6). WHILE AGREEING WITH THE GENERAL THRUST OF THE DOCUMENT, THE SLT ASKED THAT THE PAPER BE REDRAFTED FOR THE FOLLOWING REASONS: OVEREMPHASIS ON LTEA FINDINGS; ROLE OF SECRETARIAT/IEA IN PROCESS; TYPE OF COMMITMENT ENVISIONED, NEED TO BASE "ACCEPTABLE LEVEL: DECISION ON COUNTRY SUBMISSIONS AND REVIEWS, STRUCTURE AND LANGUAGE OF PAPER.

THE SLT ALSO REVIEWED THE CHAIRMAN'S NOTE (IEA/SLT (76)83) ON KEY ISSUES THAT WILL REQUIRE POLITICAL DECISIONS BY THE GOVERNING BOARD. DELEGATES AGREED WITH THE ANALYSIS AND ISSUES IDENTIFIED (VIZ. HOW TO DECIDE WHAT IS AN ACCEPTABLE LEVEL OF OIL IMPORTS?, HOW SHOULD THIS PROCESS BE STRUCTURED?, AND HOW TO DEFINE COMMON OBJECTIVES?). MOST DELEGATES AGREED THAT THE CHAIRMAN'S NOTE HAD TO BE ELABORATED, MADE MORE SPECIFIC, AND SHOULD INCLUDE A RANGE OF POSSIBLE OPTIONS. INFORMAL DRAFTING GROUP IDENTIFIED KEY ISSUES AS: A) ACCEPTABLE LEVEL OF DEPENDENCE OF THE

GROUP AND BASIS FOR DETERMINATION; B) COMMITMENT LIMITED OFFICIAL USE
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TO OBJECTIVES/MEASURES (GROUP VS. NATIONAL); C) INDICATORS FOR BURDEN AND BENEFIT SHARING; D) DEGREE OF COMMITMENT (NATIONAL-COMMON-COOPERATIVE: POLITICAL/LEGAL); E) MONITORING ACHIEVEMENTS TOWARD REDUCED DEPENDENCE GOALS; F) PUBLICITY/CONFIDENTIALITY OF PROCESS.

THE SECRETARIAT AGREED TO PROVIDE MEMBER COUNTRY DELEGATIONS WITH A NON-TECHNICAL REPORT BRINGING TOGETHER ENERGY DEMAND AND SUPPLY PROJECTIONS AS SUBMITTED BY COUNTRIES FOR THE CONSERVATION AND ACCELERATED DEVELOPMENT REVIEW PROCESS. THE SLT AGREED TO REDRAFT PROCEDURES FOR REDUCED DEPENDENCE OBJECTIVES AS MENTIONED ABOVE.

2. ISSUES PAPER

ISSUE NO. 1 - ACCEPTABLE LEVEL OF DEPENDENCE OF THE GROUP

SLT IDENTIFIED THIS ISSUE AS ONE REQUIRING A POLITICAL DECISION BY THE GOVERNING BOARD. THE STANDING GROUP AGREED THAT NATIONAL SUBMISSIONS RATHER THAN LTEA SHOULD BE USED AS THE BASIS FOR DERIVING AN AGENCY OBJECTIVE, THOUGH DELEGATES AGREED THAT IEA NET OIL IMPORTS OF 29.3 MMBD (IN THE CONTEXT OF FORECASTS OF WORLD DEMAND FOR OPEC OIL OF 38-40 MMBD) BY 1985 PROJECTED IN THE LTEA ARE NOT ACCEPTABLE. TWO QUESTIONS WERE CONSIDERED UNDER THIS CATEGORY AND I RECOMMEND IF POSSIBLE WE RESOLVE THESE ISSUES AT THE SLT LEVEL OR AT LEAST NARROW THE OPTIONS BEFORE SUBMITTING OUR RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE GOVERNING BOARD.

QUESTION:

SHOULD THE LEVEL OF DEPENDENCE BE EXPRESSED IN QUANTITATIVE OR QUALITATIVE TERMS?

FOUR OPTIONS WERE IDENTIFIED: A) OIL IMPORTS IN ABSOLUTE VOLUME, E.G., IEA COUNTRIES NET OIL LIMITED OFFICIAL USE
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IMPORTS BY 1985 WILL NOT EXCEED X MMBPD; B) OIL IMPORTS AS A SHARE OF TOTAL ENERGY CONSUMED E.G., IEA COUNTRIES NET OIL IMPORTS BY 1985 WILL NOT EXCEED X PERCENT OF TOTAL PRIMARY ENERGY CONSUMED; C) DEMAND AND SUPPLY OF ENERGY E.G., BY 1985 IEA PRODUCTION OF ENERGY WILL BE AT LEAST X MMBPD OF OIL

EQUIVALENT AND CONSUMPTION WILL BE NO MORE THAN X MMBPD;
D) QUALITATIVE E.G., TO REDUCE OIL CONSUMPTION;
INCREASE COAL PRODUCTION AND USE, ETC.

I SUGGEST WE ATTEMPT TO RESOLVE THIS ISSUE AT THE SLT LEVEL BY RECOMMENDING THE GB ADOPT OPTION A AS AN AGENCY OBJECTIVE.

QUESTION:

WHAT IS THE APPROPRIATE BASIS UPON WHICH AGENCY OBJECTIVES SHOULD BE BASED? GENERAL CONSENSUS OF THE GROUP WAS THAT THERE ARE ONLY TWO REALISTIC OPTIONS: A) AGGREGATION AND REVIEW OF NATIONAL PROJECTIONS SUBMITTED TO IEA; B) AGGREGATION AND REVIEW OF NATIONAL PROJECTIONS SUBMITTED TO IEA, REINFORCED AS NECESSARY TO BRING OVERALL DEPENDENCE DOWN TO AN ACCEPTABLE LEVEL.

THE CHAIRMAN BELIEVES THE SLT SHOULD RECOMMEND OPTION B TO THE GOVERNING BOARD. HOWEVER, IF AFTER AGGREGATING

AND REVIEWING THE NATIONAL OBJECTIVES SUBMITTED FOR THE IEA NATIONAL CONSERVATION, ACCELERATED DEVELOPMENT AND NUCLEAR REVIEWS, WE FIND THAT THE OVERALL LEVEL OF DEPENDENCE IS ACCEPTABLE AND THAT THE NATIONAL PROJECTIONS ARE BASED ON REALISTIC AND ACHIEVABLE ASSUMPTIONS, NO REINFORCEMENT WOULD BE NECESSARY.

ISSUE NO. 2 - NATURE OF OBJECTIVES/MEASURES CHOSEN

SLT IDENTIFIED FOUR POSSIBLE OPTIONS UNDER THIS ISSUE: A) GROUP OBJECTIVES ONLY, B) GROUP OBJECTIVES AND NATIONAL/COOPERATIVE MEASURES TO ACHIEVE THEM, C) NATIONAL OBJECTIVES, D) NATIONAL OBJECTIVES AND LIMITED OFFICIAL USE
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MEASURES TO ACHIEVE THEM. A RELATED ISSUE NOT ADDRESSED UNDER THIS HEADING ARE: IF NATIONAL OBJECTIVES ARE ADOPTED SHOULD THEY BE QUALITATIVE OR QUANTITATIVE?

THE CHAIRMAN BELIEVES WE SHOULD REJECT OPTIONS A AND C SINCE WE ARE ALL AGREED THAT ESTABLISHMENT OF A SIMPLE NUMBERS EXERCISE WITHOUT IDENTIFYING THE MEASURES NECESSARY TO BRING ABOUT THESE NUMBERS IS NOT VERY

MEANINGFUL. THE CHAIRMAN BELIEVES IN EFFECT THAT THE GOVERNING BOARD SHOULD BE ASKED TO ADOPT A COMBINATION OF OPTIONS B AND D AS FOLLOWS: OVERALL GROUP OBJECTIVES WITH IDENTIFICATION OF THE POLICY MEASURES NECESSARY TO BRING THEM ABOUT SUPPORTED BY A FRAMEWORK OF INDIVIDUAL MEMBER COUNTRY'S ACTIONS AND IDENTIFICATION OF THE NATIONAL MEASURES REQUIRED TO ACHIEVE THESE OBJECTIVES.

AS FAR AS THE NATIONAL OBJECTIVES ARE CONCERNED, THESE IN EFFECT WOULD HAVE TO BE MADE EXPLICIT IN ORDER TO DERIVE THE OVERALL GROUP OBJECTIVE. AS A PART OF THE POLITICAL PROCESS, MEMBER GOVERNMENT WILL HAVE TO ACCEPT SOME PORTION OF THE RESPONSIBILITY FOR ACHIEVING THE OVERALL GROUP OBJECTIVE. IT IS DIFFICULT TO STATE IN ADVANCE HOW THAT RESPONSIBILITY SHOULD BE EXPRESSED: I.E., IN MILLION OF BARRELS A DAY OF IMPORTS OR IN SOME OTHER FORM. WE SHOULD BE ABLE TO ESTABLISH THIS ONCE THE PROCESS IS UNDERWAY. WE MIGHT ENVISION THAT SOME COUNTRIES WOULD ESTABLISH THEIR NATIONAL OBJECTIVE IN QUALITATIVE TERMS. HOWEVER, THIS WOULD HAVE TO BE DONE IN A MANNER WHICH WOULD PERMIT ACTUAL PERFORMANCE AGAINST THESE NATIONAL OBJECTIVES TO BE REVIEWED AND EVALUATED AS EFFECTIVELY AS THE PERFORMANCE OF THOSE COUNTRIES WHICH ESTABLISH THEIR OBJECTIVES IN QUANTITATIVE TERMS.

ISSUE NO. 3 - INDICATORS OF BURDEN AND BENEFIT SHARING

DELEGATES AGREED THAT EACH IEA COUNTRY MUST CONTRIBUTE
AN EQUITABLE SHARE TOWARD ACHIEVING AN IMPROVED BALANCE
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OF WORLD ENERGY SUPPLY AND DEMAND. HOW THIS SHARE
SHOULD BE DETERMINED IS DIFFICULT CONCEPTUALLY AND
POLITICALLY. ENERGY STRATEGIES WILL OBVIOUSLY DIFFER
DEPENDING ON ENERGY RESOURCE AVAILABILITY, DIFFERENCES
IN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, SOCIO-ECONOMIC OBJECTIVES,
ENVIRONMENTAL GOALS, CLIMATE, ETC.

DELEGATIONS AGREED THAT EACH COUNTRY MUST RETAIN
COMPLETE CONTROL OVER ITS OWN ENERGY AND ENERGY
RELATED POLICY MAKING PROCESS, BUT OTHER AGENCY
MEMBERS MUST BE SATISFIED THAT EACH COUNTRY IS
PERFORMING TO ITS FULL POTENTIAL AND THAT BURDEN
SHARING IS ADEQUATE IN TERMS OF THE POLICIES AND
PROGRAMS BEING IMPLEMENTED TO ACHIEVE OUR OBJECTIVES.

A LOGICAL AND ACCEPTABLE WAY FOR SUCH AN ASSESSMENT
IS THROUGH REVIEW AND EVALUATION OF MEMBER COUNTRIES'
ENERGY PROGRAMS AND POLICIES. THE DOCUMENT PREPARED
BY THE SLT INFORMAL DRAFTING GROUP LISTS A NUMBER OF
INDICATORS WHICH CAN BE INCLUDED IN THE OVERALL REVIEW/
ASSESSMENT. I SUGGEST WE RECOMMEND TO THE GOVERNING
BOARD THAT BENEFIT AND BURDEN SHARING BE DETERMINED
IN THE GOVERNING BOARD AFTER A FULL AND INTENSIVE
REVIEW AND EVALUATION OF ENERGY PROGRAMS/ POLICIES
TAKING INTO ACCOUNT A) EACH COUNTRY'S IMPORTED OIL
AS A SHARE OF TOTAL IEA IMPORTED OIL, B) ASSESSMENT OF
ENERGY PRODUCTION POTENTIAL AND COSTS, C) ENERGY
EFFICIENCY RATIOS, D) ENERGY INVESTMENT EFFORTS,
E) ADOPTION OF COMMON OR COOPERATIVE MEASURES,
F) ENERGY PRICING POLICIES, G) ENERGY EFFORTS OVER
AN APPROPRIATE PERIOD OF TIME RATHER THAN ANNUAL
ACCOMPLISHMENTS ALONE, I.E., THE EQUITY OF BURDEN
SHARING MUST TAKE INTO ACCOUNT NOT ONLY THE OBJECTIVES
AS INITIALLY ESTABLISHED BUT ALSO THE PERFORMANCE
THEREAFTER AGAINST THESE OBJECTIVES AS EVALUATED IN THE
ANNUAL REVIEW PROCESS

ISSUE NO. 4 - DEGREE OF COMMITMENT TO ADOPT MEASURES
TO MEET OBJECTIVES:

THE SLT AGREED THAT NATIONAL, COMMON, AND COOPERATIVE
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MEASURES COULD BE USED TO ACCOMPLISH REDUCED DEPENDENCE OBJECTIVES.

I SUGGEST WE RETAIN MAXIMUM FLEXIBILITY IN THE SYSTEM AND ALLOW EACH COUNTRY TO ADOPT ITS OWN COMBINATION OF MEASURES. COMMON AND COOPERATIVE MEASURES WOULD PRESUMABLY BE THE SUBJECT OF SEPARATE AGREEMENTS, E.G., WITHIN THE IEA LONG TERM PROGRAM.

WITH RESPECT TO NATIONAL MEASURES, THE OTHER MEMBERS OF THE GROUP WOULD HAVE TO BE SATISFIED THAT THE MEASURES CHOSEN ARE APPROPRIATE IN THE CONTEXT OF THE OBJECTIVES.

AT THE END OF THE PROCESS TO BE LAUNCHED BY THE NOVEMBER 9 GOVERNING BOARD DECISION, THE MEMBER COUNTRIES WOULD PLEDGE THEMSELVES TO BOTH A SET OF INDIVIDUAL OBJECTIVES AND THE MEASURES NECESSARY TO ACHIEVE THEM. THE GOVERNING BOARD WILL WANT TO CONSIDER AGREEING, EITHER AT THE BEGINNING OF THE

PROCESS OR SUBSEQUENTLY, THAT THESE COMMITMENTS BE FORMALLY ENDORSED AT A MINISTERIAL MEETING OF THE GOVERNING BOARD.

DELEGATES RECOGNIZED THAT MEMBER COUNTRIES FOLLOW DIFFERENT PROCEDURES IN ADOPTING INTERNATIONAL COMMITMENTS. THESE REDUCED DEPENDENCE COMMITMENTS WOULD REPRESENT A POLITICAL UNDERTAKING BUT WOULD NOT BE IN THE FORM OF A LEGALLY BINDING INTERNATIONAL AGREEMENT. HOWEVER, THE GOVERNING BOARD DECISION LAUNCHING THE PROCESS SHOULD RECOGNIZE THAT DESPITE DIFFERING LEGISLATIVE SYSTEMS, THERE WILL HAVE TO BE ADEQUATE PARALLELISM TO ENSURE THAT COMMITMENTS TAKEN ARE FOLLOWED BY EFFECTIVE GOVERNMENTAL ACTION. THE GOVERNING BOARD'S DECISION SHOULD ALSO REFLECT THAT THE ANNUAL REVIEWS OF MEMBER COUNTRY PERFORMANCE AND PROGRAMS WOULD PROVIDE AN ADDITIONAL MEANS OF ENSURING THAT THE DEGREE OF COMMITMENTS IS PARALLEL.

ISSUE NO. 5 - MONITORING PROGRESS TOWARD REDUCED LIMITED OFFICIAL USE
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DEPENDENCE

THE MONITORING OF PROGRESS TOWARD REDUCED DEPENDENCE SHOULD BE CENTERED ON THE ANNUAL REVIEW NOW ESTABLISHED IN THE IEA, REINFORCED AS NECESSARY. THE RESULTS OF THIS REVIEW PROCESS SHOULD BE SUBMITTED TO THE

GOVERNING BOARD FOR POLICY LEVEL DISCUSSION, ASSESSMENT, AND CONSIDERATION OF POSSIBLE RECOMMENDATIONS TO INDIVIDUAL GOVERNMENTS CONCERNING THEIR PERFORMANCE TOWARD ACHIEVING REDUCED DEPENDENCE .

ISSUE NO. 6 - CONFIDENTIALITY OF PROCESS

A COMMITMENT BY MEMBER COUNTRIES TO REDUCE DEPENDENCE ON IMPORTED OIL ACCOMPANIED BY THE ADOPTION OF SPECIFIC ENERGY POLICY MEASURES WILL IMPROVE THE PERCEPTION OF IEA'S EFFORTS TO REDUCE IMPORTS. HOWEVER, FAILURE TO ACHIEVE THESE OBJECTIVES COULD RESULT IN LESSENERED CREDIBILITY. THE FOLLOWING OPTIONS WERE SUGGESTED BY THE SLT: A) PUBLICITY OF THE PROCESS AND PROGRESS TOWARD REDUCED DEPENDENCE, B) CONFIDENTIAL TREATMENT OF THE PROCESS BUT ANNOUNCEMENT OF RESULTS, (POSSIBLY AT A MINISTERIAL MEETING; C) ANNOUNCEMENT OF AGENCY GOALS, BUT NOT NATIONAL COMPONENTS THEREOF.

I CONSIDER THAT THIS ISSUE REQUIRES A DECISION BY THE GOVERNING BOARD. THE CHAIRMAN BELIEVES THAT OPTION A WOULD ENHANCE THE AGENCY'S CREDIBILITY AND EMPHASIZE OUR JOINT DETERMINATION TO REDUCE OUR DEPENDENCE ON IMPORTED OIL.

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3. BASED ON ITS DISCUSSION OF AND DECISION ON THE ISSUES SET OUT ABOVE THE SLT SHOULD INVITE THE GOVERNING BOARD AT ITS NOVEMBER 8-9 MEETING TO AGREE ON A PROCESS FOR ESTABLISHING REDUCED DEPENDENCE OBJECTIVES. THE CHAIRMAN SUGGESTS THE SLT DISCUSS THE PROCESS OUTLINED BELOW WHICH INCORPORATES GOVERNING BOARD ROOM DOCUMENT NO. 6 AND WRITTEN AND ORAL COMMENTS ON THIS PAPER BY VARIOUS DELEGATIONS.

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THE PROCESS

I. AFTER ASSESSING THE WORLD ENERGY SUPPLY/DEMAND PROJECTIONS CONTAINED IN THE LTEA AND OTHE ANALYSES, THE GOVERNING BOARD SHALL MAKE A POLICY DETERMINATION WHETHER, ABSENT ANY MAJOR POLICY INITIATIVES, THE PROJECTED LEVELS OF IEA DEPENDENCE ON OIL IMPORTS ARE POLITICALLY AND ECONOMICALLY ACCEPTABLE.

II. IN THE EVENT THE GOVERNING BOARD DETERMINES THAT THE EXPECTED LEVEL OF IMPORT DEPENDENCE FOR IEA MEMBERS IS NOT ACCEPTABLE, THE FOLLOWING PROCEDURES S;ALL BE INITIATED:

A. THE SLT WILL EVALUATE THE SUBMISSIONS BY MEMBER COUNTRIES FOR THE MOST RECENT CONSERVATION, ACCELERATED DEVELOPMENT AND NUCLEAR ANNUAL REVIEWS. THIS EVALUATION, ON A COUNTRY-BY-COUNTRY BASIS, WILL FOCUS ON PROJECTIONS OF ENERGY SUPPLY, DEMAND AND IMPORTS AND THE SPECIFIC POLICY ASSUMPTIONS ON WHICH THEY ARE BASED. BASED ON THIS REVIEW THE SLT SHALL INFORM THE GOVERNING BOARD OF THE PROJECTED IMPORT DEPENDENCE OF IEA MEMBERS BY 1985 AND PROVIDE IT WITH AN ASSESSMENT OF THE ADEQUACY OF THE POLICY MEASURES OF VARIOUS COUNTRIES IN ACHIEVING PROJECTED LEVELS OF IMPORT DEPENDENCE. THE GOVERNING BOARD SHALL DETERMINE IF THE PROJECTED LEVEL OF IMPORT DEPENDENCE IS ACCEPTABLE AND THAT THE MEASURES WHICH UNDERLY THEM ARE ACHIEVABLE.

B. IN THE EVENT THE GOVERNING BOARD DETERMINES THAT THE PROJECTED LEVEL OF IMPORT DEPENDENCE IS NOT ACCEPTABLE, OR THAT THE NATIONAL MEASURES ON WHICH THEY ARE BASED ARE NOT ADEQUATE, IT SHALL EXAMINE EACH COUNTRY'S INDIVIDUAL ENERGY PROGRAM, AND IN CLOSE CONSULTATION WITH THE COUNTRY CONCERNED IDENTIFY ADDITIONAL MEASURES (NATIONAL AND/OR COOPERATIVE) NECESSARY TO REINFORCE ITS ENERGY PROGRAM THAT WOULD CONTRIBUTE TO A REDUCTION IN THE OVERALL IMPORT DEPENDENCE OF THE GROUP TO A LEVEL IT DEEMS TO BE ACCEPTABLE. MEMBER COUNTRIES WILL AGREE TO ADOPT RECOMMENDED PROGRAMS OR MEASURES OR ALTERNATIVE LIMITED OFFICIAL USE
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PROGRAMS WHICH ACHIEVE THE SAME RESULT. IN THIS PROCESS, THE GOVERNING BOARD WILL ENSURE AN EQUITABLE SHARING OF BURDENS AND BENEFITS AMONG ALL PARTICIPATING COUNTRIES, BEARING IN MIND ALL ELEMENTS RELEVANT TO THE DEVELOPMENT OF EACH COUNTRY'S ENERGY POLICIES INCLUDING ECONOMIC, SOCIAL AND ENVIRONMENTAL OBJECTIVES, ENERGY RESOURCE POTENTIAL, ETC.

C. ON THE BASIS OF THE REVIEWS AND OTHER STEPS AS NECESSARY, OUTLINED ABOVE, THE GOVERNING BOARD, ACTING AT MINISTERIAL LEVEL, SHALL ADOPT A DECISION WHICH ENDORSES THE OVERALL OBJECTIVES FOR REDUCING IEA IMPORT DEPENDENCY BY 1985 ON THE BASIS OF NATIONAL SUBMISSIONS (REINFORCED IF NECESSARY) AND MEMBER COUNTRY COMMITMENTS TO ADOPT AND IMPLEMENT ENERGY POLICIES TO ARRIVE AT THE OBJECTIVE.

D. THE REVIEW PROCESS OF THE AGENCY SHALL BE STRENGTHENED TO ENSURE RIGOROUS MONITORING OF PROGRESS IN ACHIEVING AGENCY OBJECTIVES AND THE CONTRIBUTION OF EACH MEMBER TOWARD THIS END, ESPECIALLY THE ADOPTION AND IMPLEMENTATION OF INDIVIDUAL NATIONAL

COMMITMENTS CONTAINED IN THE DECISION ADOPTED BY THE GOVERNING BOARD UNDER C. THE SLT SHALL ELABORATE THIS REVIEW PROCESS FURTHER AND REPORT ANNUALLY TO THE GOVERNING BOARD ON PROGRESS TOWARD ACHIEVING A REDUCTION IN THE GROUP'S DEPENDENCE ON OIL IMPORTS. THE GOVERNING BOARD SHALL EVALUATE THE OVERALL REDUCED DEPENDENCE OBJECTIVE AND PROGRESS TOWARD ATTAINING IT ANNUALLY IN THE LIGHT OF THE DEVELOPMENTS IN THE WORLD OIL MARKET.

TIMETABLE

NOVEMBER - GOVERNING BOARD WILL APPROVE THE PROCESS LAID OUT ABOVE FOR ESTABLISHING REDUCED DEPENDENCE OBJECTIVES AND DETERMINE THE POLITICAL AND ECONOMIC ACCEPTABILITY OF EXISTING PROJECTIONS OF FUTURE OIL IMPORT DEPENDENCE OF THE IEA.

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EVALUATION OF THE PROJECTIONS OF ENERGY SUPPLY AND DEMAND AND OIL IMPORTS SUBMITTED TO THE IEA IN CONNECTION WITH THE CONSERVATION, ACCELERATED DEVELOPMENT AND NUCLEAR REVIEWS AND THE POLICY MEASURES WHICH UNDERLY THEM.

MARCH/APRIL - IF NECESSARY, ON THE BASIS OF SLT RECOMMENDATIONS THE GOVERNING BOARD, IN CLOSE CONSULTATION WITH INDIVIDUAL MEMBER GOVERNMENTS, WILL EXAMINE NATIONAL PROGRAMS WITH A VIEW TO STRENGTHENING THEM.

MAY - GOVERNING BOARD, MEETING AT MINISTERIAL LEVEL, WILL ANNOUNCE THE GLOBAL REDUCED DEPENDENCE OBJECTIVE ON THE BASIS OF THE FIRST REVIEW OF NATIONAL PROGRAMS CONDUCTED PREVIOUSLY AND ENDORSE THE POLITICAL COMMITMENTS BY MEMBER GOVERNMENTS TO ADOPT THE ENERGY POLICY MEASURES NECESSARY TO ACHIEVE THEM. KISSINGER

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